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REPORTING PERIOD

PROJECT STATUS REPORT

1 - 31 December 1955

NOTE: See instructions on reverse side.

2. CRYPTONYM		3. DIVISION OR BRANCH	4. COUNTRY		5. APPROVAL	BY	DATE
A. PROJECT	B. SUB-PROJECT	TARGET	BASE	ORIGINAL	ADPC	22 June 49	
OBTUSE		SE/A	Albania	LAST RENEWAL	DDP	16 July 54	
6. NAME OF CASE OFFICER		ROOM NO.	EXTENSION	SIGNATURE OF CASE OFFICER			
		1302 J	671				
7. TYPE OF PROJECT							
8. PERSONNEL							
STAFF AGENT	T/O	AUTHORIZED	ASSIGNED	9. FUNDS FOR CURRENT FISCAL YEAR			
CONTRACT	AGENTS	1	1	A. CURRENT PROJ. CEIL.	B. CUM. ALLOTMENT	C. EST. CUM. OBLIGATIONS	

a. Action Reported by Field:

(1) On 29 December 1955 two successful leaflet raids were carried out over Albania utilizing the C-54 and B-26 aircraft. The C-54 raid was conducted against Durres, Kavaje, Lushnje, Fier, Vlone, Tepelene, and Gjinokaster. A total of 3 million food offer renewal leaflets, 200,000 Kh's, 150,000 K5's, one million NCFAs symbol leaflets, 300,000 defection leaflets, and 1,000 lbs. of hard goods were dropped. The B-26 raid was conducted against Tirane, Shkoder and areas enroute. One million food offer renewal leaflets were dropped.

2. The present leaflet inventory indicates that there are no old leaflets on hand. A sufficient amount of hard goods are available to satisfy 1956 requirements.

b. Effectiveness:

(1) A field report stated that an Italian repatriate from Albania made the following comments regarding leaflets dropped into Albania: He knew of leaflets which were dropped in the region of Peshkopija. Some of these were actually passed among Communists themselves. He also knew of leaflets which were scattered on the Dajti mountainside near Tirana. Contents of various leaflets were discussed by prisoners in the prisons. Source's only criticism of leaflet themes centered around unspecified promises which have appeared in certain leaflets. Source stated it would be wiser not to make these promises.

(2) Theodoros Foto JANNO, an Albanian who escaped into Greece 29 September 1955 stated that in July of 1955, an airplane of unknown nationality dropped leaflets at night in the area of VOSKOPOJE. These leaflets were of anti-Communist content, mainly directed against Enver HOKHA and Mehmet SHEHU. Source claims that these leaflets were well received by the inhabitants of that area.

c. Pending Action:

None

d. Security Factors:

In view of the confirmed presence of jet aircraft in Albania linked with other intelligence available, the operation of C-54 and B-26 type aircraft over Albania at

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SOURCE METHODSEXEMPTION 3B2B
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DATE 2007

EMARKS (Any important detail not listed in the instructions)

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ITEM NO.	CAPTION OR SUB-CAPTION	INSTRUCTIONS
1	Reporting Period	Give month and calendar year during which information in report was received at Headquarters.
2	Cryptonym	Do not show cryptonym until formal approval of its project.
7	Type of Project	Check box in accordance with budget designation in operational program.
8	Personnel	"Contract Personnel" are personnel engaged by contract either at Headquarter or in the Field. (See CSI 20-4.) For Staff Agents see CFR 14.3.
9	Funds for Current Fiscal Year	<p>a. <u>Current Project Ceiling</u>: The programmed figure less any subsequent reductions (sub-projects, program changes).</p> <p>b. <u>Cumulative Allotment</u>: The operational allotment as issued by the Budget Division.</p> <p>c. <u>Estimated Cumulative Obligations</u>: The Case Officer's considered estimate in round figures of the current fiscal year cost to date.</p>
10		<p>In reporting sub-items in Item 10, use letters and subheadings, as "b. <u>Pending Action</u>: . . ."</p> <p>NOTE: When actual PP or PM actions have ceased, omit all subheadings. But continue to report until after project is fully terminated at Headquarters, substituting a running account of the main aspects of termination proceedings for the usual entries in Item 10.</p> <p>Whenever space in Item 10 is insufficient to include all relevant entries, supplementary 8 x 10 1/2" sheets may be used for left-over entries.</p>
	a. Action Reported:	<p>If Headquarters has not received any reports of action from the field during the reporting period, make the following entry:</p> <p>"a. <u>Action Reported by Field</u>: None."</p> <p>Report propaganda action by the field on Form 112a.</p> <p>In reporting PM action, or other PP action in the field:</p> <p>(1) Give pseudonym or cryptonym of person, or cryptonym or true name of organization, responsible for the action.</p> <p>(2) Give location (country or smaller), and name or type of each target or target group.</p> <p>NOTE: Enter field action of periodic or routine nature as well as novel or unusual action.</p> <p>Report intelligence collection by project personnel.</p> <p>Whenever a reported action is undertaken as part of a coordinated international program or effort, specify that program or effort.</p>
	a) By Field	
	b) By Headquarters (Confine to operations)	
	b. Pending Action	Non-routine pending project action may be reported here. When nothing unusual is pending, omit this subheading.
	c. Observed Results (Objective Fact)	<p>Enter friendly or hostile judgments about project assets or operations made by specifically identified sources external to CIA.</p> <p>Enter judgments about project assets which are explicitly related to reported effects, instances or kinds of project action.</p> <p>When neither are available, omit this subheading.</p>
	d. Security Factors	<p>Enter a current assessment of operational security factors.</p> <p>Whenever unchanged from preceding report, make the entry:</p> <p>"d. <u>Security Factors</u>: No New Information."</p>
	e. Assets Terminated	Report termination of a project asset here on first Project Status Report after information is received in Headquarters. When no terminations are reported by field, omit this subheading.
	f. New Assets	Give location and type of each person or organization named above (or on Form 112a) for the first time as responsible for a PP or PM action. If there are none, omit this subheading.

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medium altitudes is considered outside acceptable risk limits. Therefore it has been recommended by the Air Maritime Division that overflights of Albania in C-54 and B-26 type aircraft be conducted at minimum safe altitudes only.

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PROPAGANDA ACTION REPORTED FROM FIELD**

PROJECT CRYPTONYM OBTUSE		SUB-PROJECT CRYPTONYM		DIVISION OR BRANCH SE/A		REPORTING PERIOD 1 - 31 December 1955			
ITEM NO.	NAME OF ASSET (AGENT, GROUP OR ORGANIZATION) TAKING ACTION	ACTION	FORM	LANGUAGE	PERIOD & NO. OF ISSUES OR DELIVERIES	QUANTITY OR AUDIENCE	TITLE OF MEDIUM, PRINCIPAL THEMES, AND SUBJECTS	TARGET PERSONS, GROUPS, ORGANIZATIONS	
								NAME & OR TYPE	LOCATION
1	NCFA	PR, AD	Leaflet Digest	Albanian	1m	4,300 350	1. Food offer renewal 2. NCFA Symbol 3. Defection appeal 4. Eisenhower remarks reference Geneva 5. Soviet Concessions to Adenauer 6. Kazakov Purge 7. Unrest in Communist parties 8. Doubts on Soviet Peace Campaign 9. Aims of NCFA 10. Albanian Patriotic poems 11. Flag Day Message 12. Summary Geneva Conference	Urban and Rural Population	Durres Kavaje Lushnje Fier Vlone Tepelene Gjinokaster
2	NCFA	PR, AD	Leaflet	Albanian	1m	1,000	1. Food offer renewal		Tirane Shkoder

REMARKS

COLUMNAR HEADING	INSTRUCTIONS
Name of Asset Taking Action	Give pseudonym or cryptonym of person, or cryptonym or true name of organization, responsible for the action. (When an asset is identified here for first time, enter supporting data in Section F on Form 112.)
Action	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> C Composed D Disseminated DF Disseminated Free </div> <div> DS Disseminated by Sale PL Planted (Placed) PR Printed </div> <div> R Recorded SP Spoke SU Suggested </div> </div>
Period & No. of Issues or Deliveries	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> d daily w weekly m monthly </div> <div> q quarterly 2w twice a week e2w every two weeks </div> <div> n non-periodic </div> </div> <p>Following period symbol, show number of issues (for printed materials) or deliveries (for oral material).</p>
Quantity or Audience	<p>In the case of printed materials, express in thousands of copies per issue, as 2.6 for 2,600.</p> <p>In case of oral propaganda, give attendance or estimated audience figure for each broadcast or delivery, as 5.3 for 5,300.</p>
Target Location	Give names of countries, or localities within countries, in which targets are located.
(Remarks)	Any important detail not called for above (e.g., use of an unusual means of dissemination) will be identified here by item.
(Form as a Whole)	When some of information called for in the form has not been reported by field, the symbol 'NR' will be entered in the corresponding column.